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TO JOHN B WILLIAMS

PRESIDENT NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF HOUSING

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NAHRO CONVENTION

BILTMORE HOTEL 515 OLIVE STREET

LOS ANGELES CALIFORNIA 90013

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1. I HAVE ONLY RECENTLY LEARNED OF YOUR CONVENTION AND I AM ANXIOUS TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF YOUR GATHERING TO MAKE AN APPEAL ON BEHALF OF THE 137,000 INDOCHINESE WHO ARE NOW REFUGEES IN OUR LAND.

2. AMERICANS HAVE GENEROUSLY OPENED THEIR HEARTS TO THESE VICTIMS OF 30 YEARS OF STRIFE WITH THE HAPPY CONSEQUENCE THAT ABOUT 115,000 OF THEM HAVE LEFT THE TEMPORARY RECEPTION CENTERS ESTABLISHED FOR THEM AND HAVE BEEN RESETTLED. ABOUT 20,000 ARE STILL, AFTER ALMOST SIX MONTHS, IN THOSE CENTERS. THEY ARE THE MORE DIFFICULT TO PLACE DUE TO LARGE FAMILIES AND OFTEN LESS-MARKETABLE SKILLS. HOUSING THESE PEOPLE, AS YOU CAN IMAGINE, IS PROVING DIFFICULT. EVEN AFTER THEY HAVE LEFT THE CENTERS, MANY REFUGEES WILL BE IN NEED OF SOME TYPE OF HOUSING ASSISTANCE AS THE TIME COMES FOR THEM TO LEAVE THE HOUSING PROVIDED BY THEIR SPONSORS.

3. THE TASK FORCE IS HOPEFUL THAT ITS MISSION TO RESETTLE REFUGEES WILL BE ACCOMPLISHED BEFORE COLD WEATHER SETS IN BY THE END OF THIS YEAR. NOW THAT WE HAVE A LITTLE OVER

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TWO MONTHS REMAINING, WE APPEAL TO YOU TO ASSIST THESE

PEOPLE WHEREVER IT IS POSSIBLE TO DO SO WITHIN EXISTING  
GUIDELINES.

4. IF WE MAY ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL US IN  
WASHINGTON ON THIS TOLL-FREE NUMBER: 800-368-1180.  
JULIA VADALA TAFT, DIRECTOR, INTERAGENCY TASK FORCE FOR  
INDOCHINA REFUGEES INGERSOLL

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